

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 25 with the following rewritten paragraph.

This ~~prior art~~ document discloses that the image processing operations to be performed and the image processing conditions are set in accordance with the acquired customer information such as occupations, sexes or ages of customers.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 10 with the following rewritten paragraph.

The digital photoprinter (hereinafter referred to as "photoprinter") which is generally indicated by 10 in Fig. 1 ~~comprises basically~~ includes a scanner 12 for photoelectric reading of the image recorded on a film F, an image processing apparatus 14 which performs image processing on the thus read image data and with which the photoprinter 10 as a whole is manipulated and controlled, and a printer 16 which performs imagewise exposure of a light-sensitive material (photographic paper) with light beams modulated in accordance with the image data delivered from the image processing apparatus 14 and which performs development and other necessary processing to produce a (finished) print.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 15 with the following rewritten paragraph.

In the illustrated photoprinter 10, dedicated carriers are available that the file F can be loaded into the housing of the scanner 12 in accordance with the type or size of the film used (e.g. whether it is of an Advanced Photo System or a negative or a reversal of 135 size) or the format of the film (e.g. whether it is a strip or a slide). By replacing one carrier with another, the photoprinter 10 can be adapted to process various kinds of films in various modes. The image (frame) that is recorded on the film and which is subjected to the necessary procedure for print production is transported to a specified reading position by means of the carriers.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 1 with the following rewritten paragraph.

The reading conditions for each frame in the fine scan are set such that the image sensor 34 is ~~saturated~~ saturated at a density which is somewhat lower than the minimum density of each image (frame) using the image data (prescanned data) obtained by the prescan.